

BEFORE THE
DIVISION OF MEDICAL QUALITY
MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation
Against:

KARIN A. ANTONSSON, M.D.
aka ANNA K. ANTONSSON, M.D.
Certificate #A-40112

Respondent.

File No: D1-1993-26587


DECISION AND ORDER

The Stipulation for Surrender of License is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Division of Medical Quality of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on July 6, 1999.

DATED June 28, 1999

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA



Ira Lubell, M.D., President
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STIPULATION FOR
SURRENDER OF LICENSE

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the
parties to the above-entitled proceedings, that the following
matters are true:

1. Complainant, Ron Joseph, is the Executive Director
of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer
Affairs ("Board") and is represented by Bill Lockyer, Attorney
General of the State of California by Ronald V. Thunen, Jr.,
Deputy Attorney General.

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1 2. Karin A. Antonsson, M.D. aka Anna K. Antonsson,
2 M.D. ("respondent") is represented in this matter by attorney
3 Edgardo Gonzalez, Miller and Associates, whose address is 2530
4 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 200, Santa Monica, California 90403. The
5 respondent has counseled with his attorney concerning the effect
6 of this stipulation which respondent has carefully read and fully
7 understands.

8 3. Respondent has received and read the Accusation
9 which is presently on file and pending in Case Number D1-93-26587
10 before the Division of Medical Quality of the Medical Board of
11 California, Department of Consumer Affairs (hereinafter the
12 "Division"), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and
13 incorporated herein by reference.

14 4. Respondent understands the nature of the charges
15 alleged in the Accusation and that, if proven at hearing, such
16 charges and allegations would constitute cause for imposing
17 discipline upon respondent's license issued by the Board.

18 5. Respondent and her counsel are aware of each of
19 respondent's rights, including the right to a hearing on the
20 charges and allegations, the right to confront and cross-examine
21 witnesses who would testify against respondent, the right to
22 testify and present evidence on her own behalf, as well as to the
23 issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and
24 the production of documents, the right to contest the charges and
25 allegations, and other rights which are accorded respondent
26 pursuant to the California Administrative Procedure Act (Gov.
27 Code, § 11500 et seq.) and other applicable laws, including the

1 right to seek reconsideration, review by the superior court, and
2 appellate review.

3 6. In order to avoid the expense and uncertainty of a
4 hearing, respondent freely and voluntarily waives each and every
5 one of these rights set forth above and admits that she is unable
6 to practice her profession safely because her ability to practice
7 medicine is impaired due to mental illness. Respondent agrees
8 that cause exists to revoke her license pursuant to Business and
9 Professions Code section 822, and hereby surrenders her license
10 for the Division's formal acceptance.

11 7. Respondent understands that by signing this
12 stipulation she is enabling the Division of Medical Quality to
13 issue its order accepting the surrender of her license without
14 further process. She understands and agrees that Board staff and
15 counsel for complainant may communicate directly with the
16 Division regarding this stipulation, without notice to or
17 participation by respondent or her counsel. In the event that
18 this stipulation is rejected for any reason by the Division, it
19 will be of no force or effect for either party. The Division
20 will not be disqualified from further action in this matter by
21 virtue of its consideration of this stipulation.

22 8. Upon acceptance of the stipulation by the
23 Division, respondent understands that she will no longer be
24 permitted to practice as a physician in California, and also
25 agrees to surrender and cause to be delivered to the Division
26 both her license and wallet certificate before the effective date
27 of the decision.

1 9. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if
2 she ever files an application for relicensure or reinstatement in
3 the State of California, the Division shall treat it as a
4 petition for reinstatement, the respondent must comply with all
5 the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a
6 revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and
7 all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation
8 No. D1-93-26587 will be deemed to be true, correct and admitted
9 by respondent when the Division determines whether to grant or
10 deny the petition.

11 10. Respondent's ability to seek reinstatement of her
12 license shall be governed by the provisions of Business and
13 Professions Code section 823 and 2307. The provisions of section
14 2307 (c) will apply to this case. Respondent specifically
15 understands that the terms and conditions set forth in section
16 823 (a) through (e) may be applied to the respondent in the
17 course of any reinstatement proceeding, and any license granted
18 may be probationary. Nothing in this stipulation may be
19 construed as a promise that the Medical Board will reinstate
20 respondent's license under any terms or conditions, or at all,
21 and no part of this stipulation shall act as a limitation on the
22 Board's discretion to act pursuant to sections 2307 and 823.

23 ACCEPTANCE

24 I, Karin A. Antonsson, have carefully read the above
25 stipulation and enter into it freely and voluntarily with the
26 advice of counsel, and with full knowledge of its force and
27 effect, do hereby surrender my license, No. A40112, to the


1 Division of Medical Quality, Medical Board of California for its
2 formal acceptance. By signing this stipulation to surrender my
3 license, I recognize that upon its formal acceptance by the
4 Division, I will lose all rights and privileges to practice as a
5 physician and surgeon in the State of California and I also will
6 cause to be delivered to the Division both my license and wallet
7 certificate before the effective date of the decision.

8 DATED: May 24 1999.

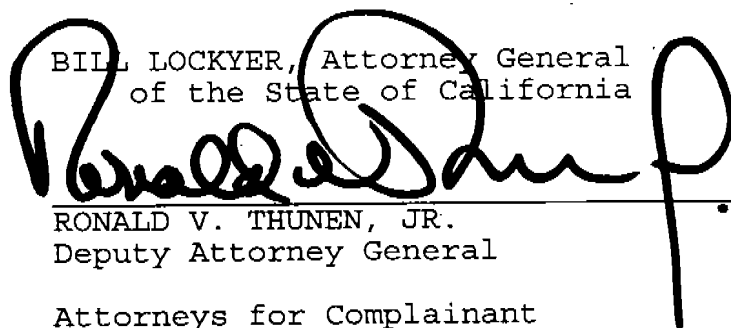
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11 KARIN A. ANTONSSON, M.D.
Respondent

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13 I concur in the stipulation.

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15 DATED: 5-24-99.

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18 EDGARDO GONZALEZ
Attorney for Respondent

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20 DATED: 6-4-99.

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aka ANNA K. ANTONSSON, M.D.)	TO REVOKE PROBATION
1650 Jackson Street, Apt. 801)	
San Francisco, CA 94109)	
License No. A40112)	
Respondent)	

The Complainant alleges:

PARTIES

1. Complainant, Ron Joseph, is the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California (hereinafter the "Board") and brings this accusation solely in his official capacity.

2. On or about July 14, 1983, License No. A40112 was issued by the Board to Karin Anna Antonsson, M.D. (hereinafter "respondent"). This license expired for non-payment of renewal fees on November 30, 1994. To date, renewal fees have not been paid, and, unless this license is renewed prior to

1 November 30, 1999, respondent will lose the right to renew this
2 license pursuant to the Provisions of Business and Professions
3 Code section 2428.

4 3. An accusation was filed against respondent on
5 June 28, 1994, alleging that respondent's mental competency had
6 been evaluated by a psychiatrist appointed by the Medical Board
7 and that, in his opinion, respondent was impaired by mental
8 illness to the extent that she could not safely engage in the
9 practice of medicine. Subsequent to the filing of that
10 accusation and prior to hearing, respondent was re-evaluated on
11 January 21, 1997 by a second psychiatrist, who also concluded
12 that respondent's ability to practice medicine safely was
13 impaired by mental illness. Following an administrative hearing,
14 the Medical Board adopted a decision finding that the licensee
15 was impaired and placing the respondent on probation for five
16 years, subject to various terms and conditions of probation. The
17 effective date of the said decision was June 9, 1997, and the
18 respondent remains on probation at this time.

19 4. Business and Professions Code section 822, which
20 applies to all state licensing agencies in the healing arts,
21 including the Medical Board of California, provides, in pertinent
22 part that if a licensing agency determines that if a licentiate's
23 ability to practice his/her profession safely is impaired because
24 the licentiate is mentally ill, or physically the licensing
25 agency may take action by revoking or suspending the licentiate's
26 license, placing the licentiate on probation, or taking such
27 other action as the licensing agency in its discretion deems

1 proper.

2 5. Business and Professions Code Section 2238
3 provides:

4 A violation of any federal statute or federal
5 regulation or any of the statutes or regulations of this state
6 regulating dangerous drugs or controlled substances constitutes
7 unprofessional conduct.

8 6. Business and Professions Code Section 2266
9 provides:

10 The failure of a physician and surgeon to maintain
11 adequate and accurate records relating to the provision of
12 services to their patients constitutes unprofessional conduct.

13 7. Risperdal is a tradename for Risperidone, an
14 antipsychotic drug of the benzisoxazole class. It is a dangerous
15 drug within the meaning of Business and Professions Code Section
16 4211.

17 8. Respondent's mental condition was evaluated by a
18 third evaluator over several interviews during the months from
19 December 1997 through March 1998. By a report dated
20 April 5, 1998, this evaluator has reported that respondent "is
21 impaired in her ability to conduct a solo practice of medicine
22 with safety to the public.". The evaluator further concluded
23 that respondent requires psychotherapy and medication at this
24 time, but further expressed the opinion that it is "not medically
25 probable that such psychotherapy will allow her to conduct the
26 practice of medicine safely in the foreseeable future."

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1 9. One condition of probation which was imposed upon
2 respondent in the 1997 Medical Board decision was a requirement
3 that respondent submit by which respondent's practice would be
4 monitored by another physician in respondent's field of practice
5 (psychiatry) who would provide periodic reports to the Division
6 or its designee. Although respondent has practiced psychiatry
7 during the period of probation, no practice monitor has ever been
8 put in place by the respondent, and no monitoring has been
9 performed in fact.

10 10. Another condition of probation in the 1997
11 decision was a requirement for psychiatric evaluation and, a
12 psychiatric treatment was recommended by the evaluator, a program
13 of psychiatric treatment in compliance with the recommendation.
14 Although the 1998 evaluation referred to above recommended such
15 treatment, and respondent has been directed by representatives of
16 the Medical Board to commence such treatment, respondent has not
17 done so.

18 11. As noted above, respondent's license expired in
19 1994 for non-payment of renewal fee, and no such renewal fees
20 have been paid since. Notwithstanding this fact, respondent has
21 continued to treat patients, to bill for such services, and to
22 receive payment therefor. This treatment has included
23 prescribing and dispensing medication for which a prescription is
24 required. This conduct is in violation of Business and
25 Professions Code Section 2052 and is a cause for disciplinary
26 action pursuant to Business and Professions Code
27 Section 2234 (a).

1 12. During 1998, respondent maintained a supply of the
2 medication Risperdal at her home (respondent has no office) and
3 dispensed this medication to patient J.H. Respondent maintained
4 no records of purchase or disposition as required by Business and
5 Professions Code Section 4232. Respondent did not prepare or
6 maintain any records of treatment for this patient as required by
7 Business and Professions Code Section 2266.

8 13. Respondent's continued practice while her license
9 is expired, her failure to prepare or maintain records of
10 treatment for a patient, and her failure to maintain drug records
11 each constitute separate causes for disciplinary action pursuant
12 to Business and Professions Code Section 2234, 2238, and 2266.

13 PRAYER

14 **WHEREFORE**, the complainant requests that a hearing be
15 held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the
16 hearing, the Division issue a decision:

17 1. Revoking or suspending physician's license Number
18 A40112, heretofore issued to respondent Karin Antonsson;

19 2. Terminating respondent's probation and reinstating
20 the penalty of revocation which was imposed in stayed in the 1997
21 decision.

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3. Taking such other and further action as the Division deems necessary and proper.

DATED: March 15, 1999

Don Joseph
Executive Director
Medical Board of California
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California

Complainant